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MINUTES OF ANNUAL WATER USERS MEETING

TIME: 9:30 a.m., January 30, 1969

PLACE: Little Courtroom, Carbon County Courthouse, Price, Utah

The meeting was called to order by Chairman George W. Waterman. John Bene, Deputy State Engineer, turned the meeting over to Don Horvath, Distribution Engineer, from the State Engineer's Office, and John took over as the secretary for the Price River Distribution System.

Mr. Horvath went through the regular routine to be followed in the meeting, and the topics to be discussed. He also commented about the water outlook for the coming year. Prospects for a good water year are in evidence with the heavy snow falls the past month were Mr. Horvath's comments.

Mr. Waterman took over from Mr. Horvath and conducted the meeting.

Secretary read the minutes of the previous annual meeting. There were no additions, alterations or corrections in the minutes. A motion was made by Rex Mathis that the minutes be accepted as read. Motion seconded by Carlyle Pace. Motion carried.

Financial report on the Price River System was read by Frank Reese, Controller, from the State Engineer's Office. All expenditures were kept within budgeted items. Note: Special request was made by the River Commissioner to purchase a new adding machine. Request was approved by the Chairman, and a machine purchased by the State Engineer's Office for the use of the Price River System. This machine was purchased during the year. Motion was made by Walter Borla that the Financial Report be accepted as read. Motion seconded by Ray Bowen. Motion carried.

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A brief discussion was had on different budget items after which a motion was made by Sam Fazio to make the budget the same as last year 1968. The total budget was \$6523.00. Motion was seconded by Lyle Bryner. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Rex Mathis that the assessment be made to cover the total budget. Motion seconded by Stanley Litizette. Motion carried.

Frank Reese pointed out that it would be necessary to increase the matching social security item because of the increase in the rates. He was instructed to make any adjustments required from the miscellaneous fund included in the total budget.

Secretary read Dave Rowley's application for reappointment as River Commissioner for the 1969 season. No other applications were received. Rex Mathis made the motion that Dave Rowley be recommended to the State Engineer for reappointment. Motion seconded by Thomas Quayle. Motion carried.

Dave Rowley read certain high lights from his Annual Report. Seefield Reservoir had 45,280 acre-ft. as of January 30, 1969. Motion made by Lyle Bryner that the Annual Report be accepted. Motion seconded by Stan Litizette. Motion carried.

Stan Litizette commented on the fine cooperation everyone has received from Earl Staker and Dave Rowley. George Waterman stated that Earl Staker and his men have been very helpful throughout the whole year.

Note Dave Rowley made a motion after considerable discussion on maintaining a gauging station on the Gooseberry Ditch leading to the tunnel that our Secretary, Mr. John Bene, contact the U.S. G.S. on reading this station for the Price River Water Users, and the cost would be borne by the Price River Water Users.

A discussion was had on the diversion of water out of Beaver Creek over the hill into the Gordon Creek drainage. John Bene and Earl Staker both stated that this right would be settled in the Price River Adjudication, and at that time the Court's attention should be called to this situation. Earl Staker stated that if all goes well that the adjudication should be published this fall at the latest.

Note Price River Water Users inquired about the measuring devices on the ditch leading into the Gooseberry Tunnel and Mr. Norseth assured them that the State Engineer would see that these were functioned and the records are kept.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

The following were present at the meeting:

NAME

John Bene
Don Norseth
Earl Staker
Frank Reese
Sam Fazio
E. O. Jackson
Rex Mathis
Carlyle Pace
R. J. Brown
Leon Prescott
Joseph B. McKean
Ken Massey
S. V. Litizette

Walter L. Borla
Thomas F. Quayle
Gene Prescott
Albert Thayer
Jack Cotner
Jay Critchlow
Lyle Bryner
Arva Smith
Rell Argyle
Dave Rowley
Geo. W. Waterman

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Area Engineer, Division of Water Rights
Controller, Division of Water Rights
Spring Glen Canal
Spring Glen Canal
Price River Water Users
Price Water Company
U.S. Steel
U.S. Steel
U.S. Steel
Price City
Haber City, Price River Water Improvement Dist.
The North American Coal Corporation
Bryner-Hansen Ditch Company
Water Master Price-Wellington
U.S. Steel
Wellington Canal
Carbon Canal
Allred Ditch
Price River Water Users Assn.
Deseret News
County Agent
Commissioner
Chairman


John Bene, Secretary

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